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I'm forwarding the email below just FYI. It is from a community activist that we interviewed for the SH Bell CIP. We typically list community's questions and concerns when we write the CIP, and I will add these questions to many others we gathered during our interviews. At times we may offer limited answers given that questions and concerns are often outside the scope of Superfund or the EPA.

As far as the invitation to their October 7 event, I would recommend simply updating the website as much as possible, and simply referring Ms. Koval and others to it prior to their event. Since the email was also directed to Michelle Colledge, I can work with her to beef up health-related information for the website if needed.



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Hello Heriberto!

I am writing to follow up with the list of questions from our interview. I have included Michelle Colledge since many of our questions have to do with health impacts and she is listed as that contact on the Manganese info sheet. I have also included our core group of community organizers, our alderwoman's office and 2 lawyers that we work with since we are all invested in the answers to these questions. Can you please work with your colleagues to get back to us with the answers? We really appreciate the work you are doing with our community to ensure we are safe from heavy metals that could effect the development of our children's cognitive and physical well being.

Best,

Kate Koval

- How has Region 5 communicated with the EPA workers who handled the East Liverpool situation? Have you all seen the research (if not it is [HERE](#) and attached to this email). Is that being used as a jumping off point and if it's not how do we incorporate that case into our own case here? (It is my understanding that there were both representatives from Region 5 and Region 3 working in East Liverpool per our conversation)
- With the June data, the long-term average since SH Bell began monitoring is down to 0.164 ug/m3. This long-term average is still higher than the manganese air levels in East Liverpool during the health study that found impacts to IQ (the long-term level there was 0.14 ug/m3). How does this information inform the EPA Region 5 work in our neighborhood? Can it expedite the process to halt operations, stop the handling of the toxic product, whatever needs to be done to ensure the children are not being effected???
- How will the EPA communicate with the community, the local healthcare clinics, Department of Public Health, etc. what symptoms to be looking for, what to test for, etc for manganese exposure? Who will incur the costs of testing, appointments, copays, etc? What does this process look like?
- As the testing of soil continues and high levels of lead are found- how will that be handled?
- What will happen when there are dangerous levels of manganese and/or lead found? How do we get SH Bell to cease operations until it can be assured that there is no health risk to residents?
- How can we ensure that other companies don't end up doing the same thing? Can the EPA force the City to impose a ban/moratorium?
- Has the EPA notified OSHA? Has OSHA gotten involved?
- How can we ensure that other companies are not doing the same thing? What is the status of requiring metals monitors at other manganese-handling facilities? When will EPA test the soil near other manganese-handling facilities?
- Can you send us a clear list for where your office is at with it's findings, important info we need to know, and a timeline for how the EPA is moving forward?
- We are having a community event on October 7th from 1PM to 6PM at La Michoacana (the ice cream I told you to check out)- if would be great if you can make it, but if you can't can you send us any bilingual print materials you have and can you make sure we have answers to the majority of these questions by then because I am sure community members will be asking for an update.

Thank you so much!